

REMARKS

The present invention is a method for identifying a data packet in a data stream and a device for identifying data packets in a data receiving stream with a delay line which has a number of storage places.

The Examiner's indication that claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 10 and 13-16 contain patentable subject matter, as noted in Section 6, is noted with appreciation. The claims have been rewritten to incorporate the objected to subject matter which should place them in condition for allowance as discussed below.

A substitute Specification will be submitted as soon as an electronic copy is obtained from the Assignee's European legal representative, who has been contacted today, which will include a reorganization as requested by the Examiner and further editing to place it in condition for issuance as a patent.

Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over United States Patent 5,729,571 (Park et al) in view of United States Patent 6,529,566 (Carsello et al). These grounds of rejection are now moot in view of the submission of new claims 17-34 which are based upon claims that have been indicated to be patentable.

Claim 17 corresponds to claims 1-3, claims 18-24 correspond to claims 4-10, claim 25 corresponds to claims 11 and 13, claim 26 corresponds to claim 12, claim 27 corresponds to claims 11 and 14 and claims 28-34 correspond to claims 12-21.

Amendments to the Drawings:

The drawings stand objected to regarding the Examiner's requirement to add descriptive labels to the rectangles in the block diagrams therein. Submitted herewith are replacement drawings. Please note that the Examiner did not require a replacement drawing for Fig. 3. However, descriptive labels are applied to Fig. 3 as submitted herewith.

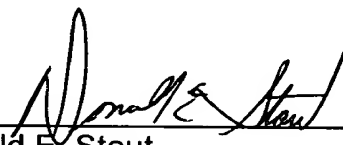
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is submitted that each of the claims in the application is in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, early allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (1123.40737X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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